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THE J. E. JONES LETTER

THE PRESIDENT'S TRIP
President Coolidge will be in Havana, Cuba, about January 10th, and all the honors which Cuba can pay to a Nation to the head of the Government of the United States will be accorded to him.

The President will attend the Pan American Conference. These conferences have enlisted the active cooperation of the representative men in the various Governments that are embracing in Pan America. Years ago, Elihu Root as Secretary of State made a good-will visit to Central and South America, and high representatives of the United States have frequently fraternized with our neighbors to the South in their own domain. Perhaps the greatest unofficial ambassador of the good-will sort is Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh. The Mexicans have less difficulty in understanding him than they experience with diplomats who speak in speech for our State Department.

The Pan American Union is splendidly housed in Washington. The Union is often referred to as the "original League of Nations." At regular intervals the diplomatic representatives of the Americas gather around a great conference table in Washington to discuss the welfare of all the Americas. Plans for peace, and propositions to increase the domestic good-will between the Nations are discussed at these official gatherings. From these conferences suggestions of interest to the different Republics drift back to the home Governments. The results have been so far reaching and so satisfactory that the President of the United States will go to Cuba next month to continue the good work of promoting the welfare of the Pan Americas.

PROFITLESS PROSPERITY
A modern worker in the field of better conditions for industry speaks of "waste" as the principal cause of "profitless prosperity." The Division of Simplified Practice of the United States Bureau of Standards believes that sharp competition will continue through 1928 with profit margins in most lines very narrow. This belief is shared by business leaders throughout the country. The agreement of views recognizes a steady increase in industrial efficiency which is likely to make possible a continuance of high wages, and in consequence an assurance of sustained high purchasing power for the mass of the people.

The Monthly News Bulletin of the Commercial Standards Group of the Bureau discusses causes of small profit margins, high pressure selling, and methods of manufacturing production. "One major result of the prevalent greater individual prosperity is the growing demand for more style, for more beautiful things, for more art in industry," says the Bulletin, which continues its statement as follows:

"Recognition of this demand has called more variety to many a manufacturer's line. . . . Efforts to keep pace with too rapidly changing styles have also cut into otherwise normal profits. . . . The steeling silverware industry found one pattern per manufacturer every two years would meet its needs. The practice of yearly modification by the automotive industry affords a better known example.

"Excessive great variety in grades or quality affords the opportunity for a enemy in manufacturing and selling by reducing their number. . . . In many instances, industries have found it possible, when making fewer varieties, to make them better in quality and to give them more easily an attractiveness. The argument of the News Bulletin, which is backed up by years of successful results shows that "profitless prosperity" too often exists simply because of wasteful methods and practices.

EMPLOYMENT OF CHILDREN
The employment of children has increased in the past two years according to the records of the United States Children's Bureau, which indicate that more than 107,000 children of 14 and 15 years of age are engaged in regular employment for which employment certificates, as required by law, have been issued. There are thousands of additional children who are doing short time work of whom no account has been secured because certificates are not issued in their cases.

CHRISTMAS TREES
About 5,000,000 Christmas trees are used each year in the United States. By cutting every suitable tree 5,000 to 10,000 acres will furnish the supply. The United States Forest Service calls attention to these facts and tells people to enjoy their Christmas trees. In fact, where there is a Government reserve, trees are not harvested. Mrs. Archie Hatchinson and some were near at hand everyone is furnished a tree by Uncle Sam. The Service de-

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH
George T. Souder will conduct the morning service at 10:45. The Sunday School will meet at 9:30. Annual parish meeting will be held in the church vestry Tuesday evening, Jan. 3, at 7:15.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
L. A. Edwards, Pastor
10:45. Morning worship, with sermon by the pastor. Subject, "The Open Door," a New Year's message. The door of the New Year opens, and what shall we find beyond the threshold? In answer to that question we may say, we shall find that for which we search. Few of the really worth while things of life are stumbled upon. As we pass through the open door may our eyes be open that we may see; our ears attuned that we may hear and our hearts tender that we may feel. Church School meets at 12 o'clock. Conrades of the Way at 7 o'clock. The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. William Chapman on Thursday afternoon. This is to be an open meeting and the ladies of all the other churches are cordially invited. Mrs. Chapman, who recently visited the Holy Land, will speak of her impressions of this most interesting country.

METHODIST CHURCH
Our Church School meets at 9:45. "The Delights of a New Year," will be the subject for Sunday morning, 10:45. This will be the fourth sermon in the series of alphabetical discourses. Epworth League Sunday evening 6:30. Topic, "Walking Life's Road With Christ." Sunday evening, 7:30, there will be a New Year's song service, Come and sing. Class meeting Tuesday evening 7:30.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
Chapman Street
Services Sunday morning at 10:45. Subject of the lesson sermon, God. Sunday School at 10 o'clock. Wednesday testimonial meeting at 7:30 P. M.

BETTER COUNTRY LIFE
The Southern Reclamation Conference recently met in the Department of Interior building at Washington. With the official approval of its objects the Conference discussed methods to improve country life. The Conference went on record with the adoption of a resolution stating that reclamation of now defunct is a movement for better homes in directed country life center.

for diversified farming, for education based upon the natural endowments of our people, for full use of all modern transportation and market facilities and for the fullest application of available scientific knowledge; that a successful demonstration of such a program is essential to economical agricultural production; and that the opportunities and needs of the South make it an appropriate field for these demonstrations, which do not have as their object an increase in productive agricultural land, but the establishment of group settlements of farm home owners.

A general scheme of development has already been worked out by the Department of Interior and the Conference. The argument of the News Bulletin, which is backed up by years of successful results shows that "profitless prosperity" too often exists simply because of wasteful methods and practices.

LABOR DISPUTES
The horrors of contesting labor disputes has progressed very satisfactorily under the direction of the Department of Labor. It is becoming the custom of employers and employees to bring their trials and wars to the attention of the Department. The Department of Conciliation usually succeeds in compromising the disputes providing the parties to it are reasonable. The government Bureau heads off many strikes and lock-outs.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Cole and daughter of Locke's Mills, Mrs. Harold Cummings and son of Portland and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Hatchinson and some were near at hand everyone is furnished a tree by Uncle Sam. The Service de-

BETHEL AND VICINITY

Happy New Year!
Howard Gunther is very ill at his home.

Parker Conner is building an addition to his garage.

Glyndon Savin of Boston was home for the holiday.

L. W. Russell is able to be out after several weeks illness.

Miss Muriel S. Park is at her home in town for the holidays.

Dorothea Burbank was home from Gray's Business College.

Clarence Philbrook was home from Barre, Vt., for the holiday.

H. W. Boyer assisted in Russell's store a few days last week.

S. H. Wentzell was home from Richardson Lake over the holiday.

Chester Wheeler and two sons of Jefferson were in town Monday.

Amos J. Fortier of Skowhegan was a holiday guest of friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Wheeler of South Paris have a son born Dec. 27.

The form is being made for the cap on the middle pier at the new bridge.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Robertson of Portland were in town over the week end.

W. S. Wight is very ill with nervous prostration at Dr. Cobb's Hospital in Auburn.

Howard Bailey was home from Richardson Lake to spend Christmas with his family.

Mrs. Frank Wheeler of Shelburne was the guest of her sister, Mrs. H. P. Austin, Sunday.

Roy Brown of Berlin, N. H., was in town Monday to see his brother, Thomas Brown.

Margaret C. Horrick of Caribou was the guest of her parents, Hon. and Mrs. A. E. Horrick.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Berryment of Portland have moved into the rent of H. D. Thurston.

Lauris Tyler has a position as assistant bookkeeper with the Borden Milk Co., of Newark, N. J.

Miss Ruth Buck of Boston is spending two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Buck.

Mrs. Edwards of West Paris is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. LeRoy Hamlin, and family.

Elvin Bergquist of Berlin is spending the week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Donahue.

Mrs. Herman Jay of Newburyport, Mass., is spending the winter with her mother, Mrs. Gertrude Miliken.

A train ran into the water tub near the station recently and as a result the tub is out of commission for a time.

Miss Grace Van Den Kerkhof was spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Van Den Kerkhof.

Mrs. Fannie Billings who underwent a serious operation at the Boston City Hospital about a month ago, is improving slowly.

Victor Hatchinson of Schenectady and Miss Marion Hatchinson of Boston were Christmas guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hatchinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Inman of Shelburne and Walter Inman and family of West Paris were guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Anderson, Christmas day.

The roads around Bethel have become very slippery the past week. Some of the most careful drivers have suddenly found themselves in unexpected positions due to the icy ruts.

Bethel friends of E. A. Barker, now of South Paris will be sorry to learn that he suffered a broken leg, above the knee, Saturday forenoon. He was in a stall with a horse when a cat came in and the horse evidently kicked at it but Mr. Barker and broke his leg. He was taken to the Central Maine General Hospital where he will have to stay several weeks.

SNOW REMOVAL ROUTES

The state highway commission last week designated an additional list of state and state aid roads as snow removal routes. The following in Oxford County and vicinity are in the list:

Standish, to Baldwin, to Hiram, to Brownfield, to Fryeburg, provided the towns will do the ploughing.
Bethel, to Gilead, to Greenwood, to Woodstock.
Gorham, to Standish, to Limestone, to Cornish, to Parsonsfield, to Porter, to Mexico, to Ramfjord, to Hartford, to Livermore, to Turner, provided towns will do the ploughing.
Dixfield, to Carthage, to Weld, Roxbury to Mexico.
Norway to Waterford, provided towns will do ploughing.
Harrison, to Bridgton, provided towns will do ploughing.

The commission has also approved the petitions of a number of towns asking for the laying out of town roads as winter routes, totaling 1100 miles, upon condition that the work of snow removal shall be done by the towns. Among these towns are Magalloway Plantation, Lincoln Plantation, Ramfjord, Mexico, Hiram.

GRANGE NEWS

BEAR RIVER GRANGE
Bear River Grange held its regular meeting Saturday evening, Dec. 24, W. M. Holt in chair.

One candidate was given the first and second degrees.

Under new business, it was voted to have an all day meeting in two weeks for installation of officers.

Bro. C. E. Saunders appointed to procure an installing officers. The following committee was appointed in charge of dinner: Addie Saunders, Ida Wight and Pearl Kilgore.

A Christmas tree and entertainment by children followed the meeting.

Recitation, Mary Stearns
Recitation, Morris Brooks
Recitation, George Stearns
Recitation, Kenneth Brooks
Refreshments served after meeting.

Warren Blake was at home from Livermore Falls a few days recently.

Eyes examined, glasses furnished by E. L. Greenleaf, Optometrist, over Howe's store, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of each week. Evening appointments may be made.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Carey gave a dinner party Tuesday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Carter of Boston. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Carter, Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Twaddle and Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Moore.

Mrs. Mae Gidman was very kindly remembered by friends on Christmas Day. She received a radiogram from Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mortenson of Copenhagen, Denmark, and a small Christmas tree from neighbors.

Ray Crockett came near a serious accident one day last week when the plow on his automobile caught on a rail when he was going across the crossing at the foot of Main Street. He escaped with a split lip and a few bruises. The plow was badly damaged.

COL. C. S. EDWARDS CAMP HOLDS INSTALLATION

The annual installation of officers of Col. C. S. Edwards Camp No. 72, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, was held at the Legion Rooms last Thursday evening. Post Commander P. J. Lapham acting as installing officer.

The following are the officers: Camp Commander—J. A. Sumner. Senior Vice—E. A. Horrick. Junior Vice—Alton Hatchinson. Camp Council—P. J. Lapham, E. H. Smith, F. L. Edwards.

Patrols: Instructor—F. L. Clark. New Troop—Carl L. Brown. Guide—Harry Hatchinson. Color Bearer—Ernest Hatchinson. Chaplain—Fred H. Merrill. Officer Guard—Milton Clough. Officer Guard—Robert Clough.

The boys' dormitory at the Maine Central Institute, Pittsfield, was burned last Thursday night at a loss between \$15,000 and \$25,000. The building was unoccupied, the school being closed for the Christmas vacation and the cause is unknown.

In the United States Court at Portland Eugene A. Descoeaux of Norway was sentenced to eighteen months in the Federal Penitentiary at Atlanta, Decoeaux, a mail carrier, had pleaded guilty to the larceny of \$2,500 in currency from the safe in the post office about six weeks ago.

HOUGHTON KIMBALL

Houghton Kimball, son of Mrs. Eva Kimball of Norway, committed suicide by hanging at his home Tuesday forenoon. No one has been able to attribute a motive for the act.

He was born in Norway, Feb. 11, 1907, the son of Mrs. Eva M. and the late Merion M. Kimball. He was the grandson of Hon. Alfred S. Kimball who was prominent in Odd Fellowship in this State.

Mr. Kimball graduated from Norway High School in 1923, attended Phillips Exeter two years and entered the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1925. He was a brilliant scholar but it is not thought that over study was the cause of his suicide.

LOCAL RADIO DIFFICULTIES

Local radio users report much trouble from the howling and annoyance caused by the careless use of regenerative radio sets.

It is unlawful to use sets which cause this interference and the continued use of such radio sets may be punishable by a fine of ten to fifty dollars.

Measures may be taken to improve the situation if it does not become better soon.

SCHOOL NOTES

EAST BETHEL
East Bethel school closed Friday P. M., Dec. 23rd, after a very successful term taught by Miss Marion Skillings, grammar, and Miss Geraldine Valentine, primary. A handsomely decorated Christmas tree and exercises were held in the grammar room. The tree was well loaded, each teacher receiving gifts from all and each pupil from one another and all were remembered by their teacher. It was an afternoon of much enjoyment.

HONOR ROLL FOR THE TERM
Grammar room—Not absent for the term, Dora Greenwood.
Not tardy or excused for term—Mae Coolidge, Pauline Harrington, Ellen Burns, Eugene Burns, Elizabeth Foster, Naunette Foster, Freda Harrington, Leonard Tyler, Grace Foster, Nellie Harrington, Harris Tyler.

Spelling—Mae Coolidge, Dora Greenwood, Joseph Holt, Agnes Howe, Ellen Burns, Doris Farrar, Freda Harrington. Reading—Dora Greenwood, Raymond Barthitt, Agnes Howe, Ellen Burns, Freda Harrington, Nellie Harrington, Rodney Howe.

Three pupils have maintained an average of 90 and above for the term.

Primary room.
These not absent or tardy for the term—Herschel Hyerson, James Hyerson.

Not absent but one day—Frances Billings, Lawrence Tyler, Mellen Kimball, Robert Holt, Elmer Hyerson.

Those having an average of 90 or above in spelling for the term—Mildred Farrar, Edward Holt, Louise Farrar, Mary Farrar, Lawrence Tyler, James Hyerson, Herschel Hyerson.

SUMMARY OF BLISTER RUST WORK IN OXFORD COUNTY SEASON 1927

Amount of money raised by twenty-two towns.	2,350.00
Amount of money spent by twenty-two towns.	2,908.00
Number of pine owners completing work.	52
Number of persons doing voluntary work.	7
Amount of money spent by owners, cash and labor.	\$2,615.01
Number of well treated bushes destroyed.	1,137.63
Number of acres of well treated bushes destroyed.	3.40
Number of acres and towns.	6,535
Number of acres and towns.	70,560
Number of acres of aspens land eliminated.	7,035
Work was completed in Hamford, Hanover, Andover and Norway, the only incorporated towns in the County that have not started in this work are Newry, Peru and Byron.	

By 1928 we will have blister rust work completed in every town in Oxford County.

The owners and towns realize the danger of this disease that is killing our white pine and are anxious to get this work done.

Following the custom of several years past the Mason Manufacturing Co. of South Paris paid its employees a bonus of five per cent. Checks amounting to about \$6,000 were given out last Thursday afternoon to 157 persons.

ERNEST H. NASON

Ernest H. Nason died very suddenly at the salesroom of the Ripley & Fletcher Co., about nine o'clock Saturday morning. He was standing by the counter reading the morning paper, when without a sound he dropped to the floor and was gone. He had known that he had a heart affliction, and had not been in the best of health for a year or two.

Mr. Nason was born in Bridgton, Nov. 30, 1869, the son of Samuel Bradbury and Susan M. (Smith) Nason. A considerable part of his life was spent at North Waterford. Some fifteen years ago he became a salesman for the Ripley & Fletcher Co., distributors of Ford cars. For a while he continued to live at North Waterford and drive to business here, but in 1915, he and Mrs. Nason moved to South Paris, where they have since lived, and he has continued his position with the Ripley & Fletcher Co.

He married, Jan. 7, 1890, Susie E. Wood, and she survives him. He is also survived by one brother, Noah Nason, of North Carthage, N. H., and two sisters, Mrs. Martha Black of North Waterford and Mrs. Phoebe Littlefield of Lovell, and a number of nieces and nephews, and grand-nephews and grand-nieces.

Mr. Nason was a Mason, an Odd Fellow, and a member of the Grange. He was a man of genial disposition, and made friends wherever he was.

The funeral was at the house on Oak Avenue at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, and burial was in Riverside Annex.

—Oxford Democrat.

MRS. HAROLD C. WYMAN

Mrs. Ruth E., wife of Harold C. Wyman of Norway, passed away Monday of last week at the Central Maine General Hospital, following an illness of pneumonia poisoning. She was a native of Albany, born July 7, 1897, the daughter of Cephas and Mary (McKeon) Cobb. She attended the Albany schools and Norway High School.

She was married to Mr. Wyman Oct. 14, 1923. Besides her husband, Mrs. Wyman leaves a son and daughter, her mother, two sisters, Mrs. F. W. East, Leonard Tyler, Grace Foster, Nellie Harrington, Harris Tyler.

Spelling—Mae Coolidge, Dora Greenwood, Joseph Holt, Agnes Howe, Ellen Burns, Doris Farrar, Freda Harrington. Reading—Dora Greenwood, Raymond Barthitt, Agnes Howe, Ellen Burns, Freda Harrington, Nellie Harrington, Rodney Howe.

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FRANK C. POTTER

Rev. Frank Clifford Potter, a clergyman in the Maine Methodist Conference nearly 40 years, died last Thursday in his home in Portland after an illness of several years. Mr. Potter had been a great sufferer and several surgical operations had failed to afford relief.

He was born in Bridgton and was educated in Bridgton Academy and prepared for the ministry which he entered in 1898. He had been assigned to parishes in Fryeburg, Stowe, West Cumberland, East Poland, Minot, West Durham, Pownall, Berlin, N. H., Elliot, Keegan Falls, Bethel, Wilton and Cornish.

He is survived by his wife and four sons, Frederick E. and Herman W. of Portland, Clifford W. of Boston and Frank E. of Belfast.

CHARLES P. KIMBALL

Charles P. Kimball passed away at his home on Main Street, Norway, Tuesday forenoon, about 10 o'clock, after a few days' illness.

Mr. Kimball was well known as an insurance man, and also a lover of good music and the owner of several art treasures, some of which had made records on the track.

He was born in Lovell, May 3, 1864, the son of Potter C. and Harriet M. Caldwell Kimball. He lived in Andover for many years and was postmaster for some time. He was a member of the Masons at Ramford and the Knights of Pythias at Andover.

He was married twice, his first wife being Miss Helen Berry of Andover. His second wife who was Mrs. Alice Allen of North Waterford survives.

TRAIN SCHEDULE

The train schedule in effect on the Canadian National Railway is as follows beginning Sunday, Sept. 23:

Portland trains leave Bethel at 8:01 A. M. and 4:42 P. M. daily. Sunday, 8:01 A. M. and 5:27 P. M.

Island Pond trains leave Bethel at 8:51 A. M. and 5:23 P. M. Sunday 9:39 A. M. and 5:23 P. M.

"Pot Luck"



Come along and "take pot-luck!"
(We MAY have steak; we MIGHT have duck)
But whatever there is I pledge you cheer,
Joy's full grace and welcome sincere,
So come along and "take pot-luck!"

HAVE you ever experienced the particular kind of dismay which comes to rush over one at the appalling realization that an unexpected guest has arrived just in time to partake of the meal which you had carefully planned for the express purpose of using up odds and ends? A "pot-luck" meal—fumbling up the Sunday roast, just enough of this and that leftover to go around, counting only members of the family. Honestly and a scrub too much—our too little—were it not for the unexpected guest? Have you known the embarrassment of not being able to conceal your anxiety?

Buy Prepared Foods

If such an experience has ever been yours, you probably made a resolution that never again would you be caught in such a situation. Hereafter you would be prepared. You would take advantage of the next sale of prepared foods and lay in a good supply! And if you really carried out your resolution, you know the comfort of an "emergency shift" of quick-to-prepare, delicious canned foods. You know, too, the great savings it has meant, not only in time, worry and money, but in every kind of care and trouble of every kind and the foreboding possibility of a crash to take advantage of them.

Ready-to-serve dishes which will prove their special merits and which deserve a place on the emergency shelf include whichever may be your favorites among the twenty-seven kinds of canned soups; canned spaghetti; baked beans; entrees such as chicken à la King, chop suey, lobster Newburg and, of course, a few cans of salmon, tuna fish and other prepared meats. Vegetables of all kinds in cans offer to save you time and energy and to give you valuable vitamins if you will but keep them handy on the shelf. Canned mushrooms add tone and flavor to many dishes and are delicious sautéed on toast. And you will want fruits, plenty of them for appetizers, salads and desserts. Plenty for the "pot" and all good "luck" will make a store of good things to serve.

You may have proved all this for yourself. If so, the following suggestions for menus may merely offer new combinations of dishes for the "pot-luck" dinner. If not, you will find it both pleasant and profitable to try them, whenever the occasion.

Cream of Corn Soup: Melt two tablespoons butter, add one tablespoon flour and stir till smooth. Add one quart hot milk and cook until smooth. Add one No. 2 can corn, season to taste and serve when hot. **Chicken à la King:** Remove contents one can Chicken à la King, heat, add seasoning. Serve the asparagus tips cold with mayonnaise. **Apple Snow:** Beat whites of three eggs stiff, add gradually one-half can apple sauce sweetened to taste and continue beating. Chill and serve with boiled custard or whipped cream.

Fruit Cup: Beef à la Mode **Potatoes:** Spinach **Beet Salad:** Prime Rib **Beef Toss:**

One can of fruit for salad, chill before serving. Heat one can beef à la mode, season well and serve with potatoes and spinach, heated, creamed and garnished with hard cooked eggs. Use canned sliced beets for salad, drain, season with vinegar and oil. Remove from fire and season. Moisten with pulp, add one cup sugar. Beat whites of one egg very stiff, add pinch of salt and beat to stiff pulp. Serve with whipped cream.

Julia Made an Investigation

By H. IRVING KING

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JULIA BEDFORD had, after mature consideration, fully made up her mind to marry Arthur Worden. It is true that Arthur had not asked her to do so yet; but she had been aware for some time that he was going to. Arthur was the only really serious "gentle" as the old word is, that Julia had ever had. Others had come and looked and lingered and gone away and married somebody else.

Julia was a beauty, an heiress and a spoiled child. Her beauty and her wealth, of course, had attracted many, but the objectionable traits peculiar to the spoiled child repelled many. Besides she was a remarkably shrewd girl in many ways, knew a fortune hunter by instinct and when she recognized one did not hesitate to tell him where he "got off." Therefore it was that Julia Bedford, beautiful and worth a couple of millions, was still unmarried at twenty-five. Her parents were dead.

And now along had come Arthur Worden who looked upon the fair heiress and was smitten by her looks, her sense and her general desirability. Her spoiled-child characteristics he overlooked. He would cure her of these after marriage. He viewed her money with indifference; he had money of his own. Julia had living with her as companion an elderly maiden aunt. To this aunt she confided her intention of marrying Arthur Worden.

"You couldn't do better, Julia," said Aunt Minerva. "I remember his father's name and years ago. A very proper person indeed and of a most respectable old family. It's lucky for you that Arthur got over his infatuation for that Rosa Townsend he was so taken up with. Mrs. Langton, when she saw how much attention Arthur was paying to you, told me all about it. But that's all off now, though they say he still loves her."

"Rosa Townsend?" cried Julia. "and who is Rosa Townsend?"

"She lives in Boston, I believe," replied Aunt Minerva. "Her father failed and she teaches school, or something of that sort to help support the family."

"That evening, when Arthur called, Julia, after a little preliminary talk about accounts, quoted the action. "Do you know a young lady by the name of Rosa Townsend?" she asked.

"I used to know a young lady by that name," answered Arthur, showing signs of surprise at the question. "In fact I know her now; but we have not met for two years. Why do you ask?"

"Oh, nothing," said Julia, and changed the subject, leaving Arthur's mind puzzled as to what he had said all about the question she had asked so abruptly after he had left the house. Then it suddenly occurred to him. "I wonder who she asked me if I knew Rosa Townsend. Next time I'll be sure to tell her!" But the next time he called Julia was not at home. She had gone away for a few days, he was told to Boston, she believed.

The fact was that Aunt Minerva's story had happened in Julia's mind long before she had met Arthur. Getting Aunt Minerva to get from her father, Mrs. Langton, the address of Rosa Townsend, she was off for the hunt.

Working on the most approved detective methods she located Miss Townsend in a fashionable suburb of Boston and drove there in a taxi. She was going to have an interview with that young lady and find out just how matters stood between her and Arthur Worden. The house to which she was taken was a fine one, standing in spacious grounds. If old man Townsend had failed it must have been hard with his creditors, or he had money enough left, apparently, to keep up a considerable establishment.

Julia sent in her card to Miss Townsend and that young lady appeared. "You will pardon the intrusion," Julia said. "Let me ask you a few questions with regard to a matter of vital importance to me—and perhaps to you. Do you know Arthur Worden?"

"Yes, indeed," replied Rosa, "that is, I used to know him. But I haven't seen him for two years. He is in New York, I believe."

"I will be frank," said Julia. "Were you two ever—overly in love?"

Rosa broke into a laugh. "In love?" she cried. "What nonsense! I might be offered at your rather important question if it were not an utterly ridiculous one. Arthur's family used to live in that house right across the way there, and we were children together—and are still good friends. And now let me ask you a question. Why do you want to know?"

"Then Julia made a clean breast of the whole matter.

"What about stories I've got about," said Rosa, after hearing the tale.

"Then to Boston, I understand," said Arthur, when he called the evening after Julia's return.

"See anybody I know?" he asked. "Yes," said Julia, and then fessed up. At the end of her confession what could Arthur do? What did he want to do, but take her in his arms and ask her to be his wife?

And what did she say? She said, "Oh, you goose, of course I will."

About Us Eggs
Most of us get hard boiled if we're in hot water long enough.—Farm and Fireside.

CENTRAL MAINE GIVES INSURANCE POLICIES

For the third consecutive year, employees of the Central Maine Power Company and its subsidiary companies received insurance policies as Christmas gifts. Policies range from five hundred to fifteen hundred, depending upon the length of service of the individual employee, and are given under terms of a group insurance plan now in force throughout the company.

Every employee who is now employed and has been for a period of six months is eligible for one of the gift policies. A total of over 800 employees extending over the entire territory served by the company, are effected.

Since this plan of group insurance has been in force the families of twelve employees have benefited from such policies through premium payments of over \$22,000. In many cases it has been found that the insurance presented by the company at Christmas was the only protection left to dependent families on death or disability of an employee. In commenting upon this plan Vice President Williams said that these facts definitely proved the value of the plan to the company's employees.

Test for Spellers

Spelling contests are again in vogue. Some of the words which have proved to be the hardest to spell are: Inconceivable, supersede, harass, innuendo, embarrass, plague, accommodate. They look easy, but just test your friends with them.—The Outlook.

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Fred S. Brown

Dry Goods - Garments - Kitchenware
NORWAY, MAINE

After Christmas Sale of Coat and Dresses

begins at once

Very Substantial Savings

to close out all garments before the new spring styles begin to arrive. \$8.00 to \$25.00 saving on a coat.

Silk Dresses Reduced

I take this opportunity to thank the people of Bethel and community for their liberal patronage the past year and hope to merit my share in the years to come. Wishing you all a happy and prosperous year for 1928.

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